

Remarks

The Examiner has required restriction between the following groups:

- I. Claims 11 and 18, drawn to a phosphonate copolymer.
- II. Claims 19-20, and 22, drawn to a method of preparing a phosphonate homopolymer or copolymer.
- III. Claims 21 and 23, drawn to an alternative method for preparing a phosphonate homopolymer or copolymer.
- IV. Claims 24, drawn to a method of preparing an optical or ophthalmic lens.

Applicants hereby elect group I, i.e. claims 11 and 18, for continued prosecution.

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